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NEWS CONDENSED.

Concise Record of the Week.

EASTERN.

Samuel Brigham, a bank cashier at Norwich, Conn., has been held in \$15,000 bail for larceny.

The second and concluding volume of Blaine's "Twenty Years in Congress" has been published. It embraces the period between Johnson's installation as President and Garfield's election. The earlier chapters are reprinted mainly with the reconstruction problem, the contest between the President and Congress, and the impeachment trial. Grant's eight years' administration is discussed in a generous and candid spirit, and the closing chapters deal with current questions of political discussion.

A passenger train was derailed at Tamaqua, Pa., some of the cars falling over an embankment and being consumed by fire. Two passengers were probably fatally injured, and a number of others were badly hurt.

In thirteen years the creditors of the Sprague estate have received but fifteen per cent of their claims. During the same time Trustee Clark has drawn over \$200,000 for his services.

Silas Blackless, an aged man living near Wallingford, Conn., gave 10 cents to a stranger who saved him from drowning.

James Hamner, a leading citizen of Louisville, Ky., who stood high in church circles, has disappeared, having squandered a fortune of \$100,000 of which he was trustee.

Gen. Hazen, of the Signal Service, has sued the New York Times for \$100,000 damages for libel.

A man named Lillie owns a mill at Shamokin Hill, Pa. His twin daughters, Kate and Susie, aged 6 years, strayed to an upstairs room where a shaft was revolving. The little ones ventured too near the machinery, and their clothes caught in the shaft. After having been thrown around for an hour they were found by an older sister. When the machinery was stopped their bodies were found to be terribly lacerated. Kate was dead, and Susie has but little chance of recovery.

WESTERN.

Abbott Lawrence, assistant cashier of the National Exchange Bank of Milwaukee, was dangerously shot by George Wardner, bookkeeper for the same institution. This would-be assassin claimed that his victim had been annoying him.

Timbermen who have returned to DuPage from the Wisconsin provinces report that in forty years the production of logs has not been so expensive as this season. The cut will not be more than 80 per cent of last fall's anticipations.

It is announced that the local whisky pool at St. Louis is on the verge of dissolution, and that all the distillers will be running to their full capacities in a short time. The meeting of the Western Export Association at Peoria was a farcical affair, and all difficulties were arranged, the per cent of output remaining at former figures. The members doated at the success of the gathering.

The national convention of coal mine operators and miners at Columbus, Ohio, agreed upon a scale of prices for the different sections, and also made provision for a board of arbitration to settle disputes of a national character.

Thomas A. Edison, the electrician, and Miss Mabel Miller were married at Akron, Ohio, and will spend the spring at Fort Myers, Fla.

John Glad, mayor of Danbury, Conn., announces that he will organize a stock company for the erection of a large distillery in the suburbs of that city.

Joseph Alsop, of Black Oak, Miss., having a wife and several children, killed himself with a shot-gun when ordered to vacate a rented house.

Charley Maurice, a cow-boy, amused himself at Logansport, Ind., by riding his horse into saloons and demanding drink at the point of a revolver. When he attempted to ride into the Postoffice policemen barred the way and landed him in the cooler.

Martin O. Simons, tried at Baraboo, Wis., for arson, was acquitted on the ground that there is no law prohibiting the burning of one's own house.

The exports of California wine during 1888 reached 4,900,000 gallons—nearly one million gallons in excess of the shipments of the previous year.

In St. Louis, Dr. Edward H. Coates, whose domestic relations have been unpleasant, met A. B. Keith on the street and shot him down. Keith died soon afterward. Coates claims that his victim was the cause of his home troubles.

Quo warranta writs were granted last week by the Minnesota Supreme Court to forfeit the charters of and dissolve the corporations known as the Hastings and Dakota Railway, Minnesota Central Road, Southern Minnesota, Southern Minnesota Railway Extension Company, and the St. Paul and Sioux City lines, on the ground of non-fulfillment of charter promises. The writs also call for a revision of the land grants to the State.

On a ranch near Denning, New Mexico, General Crook and the Apache Chief Garpimbe had a conference, in which the latter asked leave to return to his reservation. Crook demanded an unconditional surrender, but the Indian leader rode away with a white flag flying.

Three ranches at Wheatland, Cal., were visited by masked men, who drove out the Chinese, marched them to Wheatland, and then set them at liberty. At one ranch the Chinese quarters were fired and destroyed.

The Illinois Central Railroad is selling round-trip tickets from Chicago to New Orleans, good for forty days, at \$22.50.

SOUTHERN.

The conduct of Lieutenant Greene, of the signal corps, and other members of the recent court-martial at Fort Myer, Virginia, was such as to draw from the Secretary of War an expression of the stern condemnation of the abuse of counsel for the accused and of enlisted men serving as witnesses.

The Panama Canal Company will ship from New Orleans a third party of 250 negro laborers.

A fire which originated on a cotton steamer at Wilmington, N. C., swept along Water street for three blocks, causing losses estimated at \$1,500,000. The First Methodist Church and two freight depots were among the buildings burned.

Samuel Kiser, of Fort Worth, Texas, has been awarded damages of \$25,000 against H. H. Giffin & Co. of New York, who afflicted his stock and ruined his business before his indebtedness to him had matured.

A. A. Stenall, of Henrietta, Texas, charged with incest with his daughter and with murdering her babe, was hanged by a mob, but was cut down by the Sheriff before life was extinct.

A Texas paper states that Mrs. J. W. Phillips, one of the women who were found murdered at Austin on Christmas Eve, were the paramour of a prominent Texas politician, in whose company she was on the night of the murder, and that the man must have been a witness to her taking off Phillips.

was held for the signature of his wife, was barely wounded. The man, who has been recently recovered, it is said that a woman friend of Mrs. Phillips has given important testimony, and that she was given \$2,000 to leave the State, but was arrested by one of Pinkerton's detectives.

WASHINGTON.

The House Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads unanimously agreed to report adversely all bills before it for the purchase or construction of telegraph lines by the Government.

Secretary Manning has issued his third call for \$10,000,000 of 2 per cent bonds, the principal and accrued interest to be paid April 1.

Major Williams, a special agent of the Treasury, reports that nearly all imported books are undervalued more than 50 per cent. The average retail price, and that of stereotypic plates is treated as original.

The status of Gen. John A. Rawlins, Gen. Grant's friend, is so obscurely situated in Washington that it is difficult to find it. Congress has been memorialized by numerous army associations to find a better place for the status. Resolutions directing the Secretary of War to do this have been favorably acted upon by committees in both branches, and early action will probably be had.

The House Committee on the Judiciary has favorably reported a bill providing that no person shall be held to answer for any crime where the punishment may be loss of life or liberty except on presentment or indictment of a grand jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the militia when in actual service in time of war or public danger.

Secretary Manning says that the net reduction in annual revenue incident to the adoption of the Morrill tariff bill would be \$12,000,000.

The House Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads has completed the postoffice appropriation bill. It appropriates for the next fiscal year \$54,320,588, an increase of \$25,588 over the appropriation for the present fiscal year and a decrease of \$650,570 as compared with the department's estimates. The estimated revenue for the next fiscal year is \$47,149,332, and the estimated deficiency is \$7,441,256.

The House Ways and Means Committee has recommended the passage of a resolution requesting the Secretary of the Treasury to investigate the undervaluation of imports in New York City, and more particularly the charges that a conspiracy has existed in the custom-house, by which invoices were illegally raised.

POLITICAL.

The President has nominated John H. Shaffer to be Postmaster at Kansas City, Mo. It is intimated that Secretary Bayard may soon resign from the Cabinet and that he will be succeeded by ex-Senator Thurman.

T. H. Hudd, Democrat, has been elected in the Fifth Wisconsin District to succeed the late Joseph Franklin in Congress.

A liquor bill—practically the same as the old Scott law—has been passed by the Ohio House.

Washington special: "There is deathly silence between ex-Speaker Randall and the late Speaker Bingham. The story is that the former grossly insulted the latter about ten days ago at a banquet in Philadelphia, at which they were among the invited guests. Mr. Bingham, in speaking of the late Gen. Hancock, made some remarks to which Mr. Randall took exception, and the story goes that the ex-Speaker went to the speaker and said: 'I love you, I love you, and I'll give it to you now.' It was only by the intervention of their friends that a row was averted. The matter has been the subject of considerable comment for several days, but all those who were witnesses to the affair refuse to talk on the subject, although they admit that the statement above given is substantially correct."

A local option law has passed the Virginia Legislature.

MISCELLANEOUS.

John L. Sullivan issued a challenge to fight John Smith, of England, for \$5,000 of \$10,000 and the championship of the world, and put up a forfeit.

It is reported that the suit to determine the validity of the Bell telephone patent will be tried at Columbus, Ohio.

The Ontario Provincial Government has adopted high license in a modified form. It has decided that in cities over 30,000 inhabitants the fee shall be \$250; in cities under 30,000 \$200. In towns the fee is fixed at \$150, in villages at \$100, and in townships \$100.

Washington's birthday was observed at the National Capitol by the closing of the Executive Departments. Congress held no session. The American college in the City of Mexico celebrated the day by laying the cornerstone of a hospital in the suburbs, on which occasion Joaquin Miller read a poem. The Soldiers' Memorial Hall at Toledo, Ohio, was formally opened, with patriotic speeches. At night a grand military promenade concert and a ball were held in the building. The Michigan Club, a Republican organization, held its first anniversary at Detroit in the shape of a banquet, serving lunch for more than 1,000 persons. Senator Palmer, president, and Senators Logan, Evans, Conger, Manderson, Croft, Alden, Gray, Fowler, and others were present and made speeches.

It is not true that the Chinese Consul General has advised Chinamen to quit America and return home. The report originated from arrangements being made with steamship companies to carry back poor, sick, and unemployed Chinese at half rates.

The Circuit Court at Columbus, Ohio, affirmed the judgment in the Dalton contempt case, and the matter was at once referred to the Supreme Court of the State for final settlement.

According to the New York Produce Exchange the visible supply of wheat and corn is, respectively, 32,411,439 and 8,867,578 bushels.

The deposits in the Government savings banks of Canada during January were \$665,393. The amount standing to the credit of patrons is \$19,055,078.

The National Editorial Association, in session at Cincinnati, elected C. H. Jones, of Florida, President for the ensuing year, and decided to hold the next convention at Denver in June next.

FOREIGN.

The Greek Ministers of War and Marine threaten to resign unless war against Turkey is declared.

The German mint is turning out a large amount of silver coin for Egypt, 6,000,000 piasters having already been forwarded.

Lord Randolph Churchill was welcomed to Belfast by large bodies of Orangemen in regalia. Proclamations were taken against rioting.

Colonel Sir Edmund Henderson, the head of the London Metropolitan police force, who has been severely censured for the inefficiency of his men during the recent riots in London, has resigned.

At a meeting in London of the delegates from various chambers of commerce, Mr.

Forwood, a prominent merchant of Liverpool, attributed the present depression in trade mainly to the appreciation of gold.

Apportion of the London riots, the statistics of pauperism in the British metropolis show that during the last week of January there were 100,377 persons receiving relief, of whom 47,634 were inmates of workhouses, and 52,743 received out-door relief. The total was an increase of 2,652 as compared with the corresponding week of last year, and of 8,843 as compared with the last week in January, 1888.

Serious commercial depression exists in Sweden.

A young commercial traveler, enjoying his holiday at Monaco, lost all his property at the gaming-table and then destroyed himself.

The commercial bank of South Australia has suspended payment. Failures in Sweden have increased until the situation is as serious as in 1857.

A man named Peronier, believed to be insane, caused a sensation in the French Chamber of Deputies by drawing a revolver and firing twice at the chamberlain, Mr. de la Motte, who was standing near him. He is now being thrown in a lunatic asylum.

Peronier was quickly seized, and hurried to prison.

LATER-NEWS-ITEMS.

The average prices of the leading cereals in the English markets for the last year are footed up as follows: per quarter wheat, 30s 1d for barley, and 30s 7d for oats. All these are for the quarter of eight measured bushels, which for English wheat averages about 48 lbs. and for barley and oats, 47 lbs. The wheat figures apply only to the grain grown at home, the produce of India soil having averaged even less. The lowest price was 30s 2d, touched the last Saturday in the year, but even that minimum of less than 88 cents per sixty pounds has been surpassed since then. The average had not been so low in any former year since 1791, and only four times in the whole of the nineteenth century.

Four glandered horses on farms near Rochester, N. Y., were killed by the Assistant State Veterinarian, and thirteen others were ordered quarantined.

Two employees of the N. K. Fairbank Company, of Chicago, are missing, and are accused of having robbed the firm of about \$5,000.

For the recent assault on Mr. Dickson, United States Attorney at Salt Lake, Angus and Frank J. Cannon have been held in \$1,000 each.

Edison, the electrician, in an interview regarding the telephone decision by the Indiana Supreme Court, expressed the belief that the law would be pronounced unconstitutional, and declared the decision fatal to patents and progress.

At a Lutheran church in Detroit the twelfth male child of a German family named Daddow was named after President Cleveland, who was represented by Congressman Maybury. The infant was presented with a \$10 gold piece.

A schedule of the liabilities and assets of the defunct Biltmore Bank of Indianapolis shows assets, \$207,827; liabilities, \$455,000. The bank had 1,400 depositors. It is claimed that 45 cents on the dollar can be paid them.

A skating rink and three other structures at Troy, N. Y., were burned, falling walls injuring several persons, the skull of one man being crushed. The financial loss is \$45,000. A business block at Baltimore, occupied by clothing firms, was partially gutted, the "Western Wear" store, who murdered John Dwyer on the bank of the Kanawha River, was executed at Reidsville, Ind. Nearly one thousand persons were allowed to witness the hanging.

The Houston (Tex.) Savings Bank has failed, with liabilities approximating \$500,000. The suspension caused great excitement in the city, and was wholly unexpected in view of the fact that the bank had been through the year several hundred anxious depositors gathered about the bank, excitedly discussing the causes leading to the suspension. A receiver has been appointed.

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THE HOTEL CLERK'S STORY.

It is the fashion among many so-called humorists to represent the American hotel clerk as a loutish and supercilious being, who, with a headlight dimmed in his immaculate shirt front and a look of contemptuous disdain upon his classic features, sends tired and travel-stained arrivals off to impossible regions in the fifteenth story, or haughtily refuses them any lodging whatever.

The fact is that the true American hotel clerk is an invaluable feature of our civilization. The time of the arrivals and departures of all the trains on all the railroads is at his tongue's end; he is full of information about what is interesting at the theaters, and of stories of actors and actresses who have stayed at his hotel, and with a kindly man, who, if the house is crowded, will let you sleep on a billiard table. Mr. W. P. Hammond, who is clerk at the West End Hotel, 503 and 505 West Madison street, Chicago, is of this obliging disposition and is always ready to give you information regarding the hotel to those who seek it. The accomplished landlady of the West End has recently suffered with rheumatism. The story of her cure is thus told by Clerk Hammond:

"Our landlady was taken with quite a severe attack of rheumatism in the lower limbs, suffering much pain and being scarcely able to walk. She heard of Athrophos, and of the cures it had effected, and sent me to the drug store to buy a bottle of it. I got it, and in half an hour's time after she had taken the first dose she felt relieved, and in a few days the rheumatism was entirely cured. At the same time she was cured of her headache, and of all her other ailments. She is now as well as ever, and has recommended it to many. In one case I remember the cure was as quick as lightning."

"The accuracy of Clerk Hammond's statements is fully confirmed by the landlady herself, who is not averse to having it known how she was cured."

"I will tell you something about my cure," she said to a visitor who called to learn the facts in her case. "I was lame and suffered so much pain that it was impossible for me to bend my limbs or to get up. I lay in bed for several days, and the back of my chair for support. My relief, after taking the first dose of Athrophos, was almost immediate. In fact, after taking a few doses I was well and had no more pain. I am now as well as ever, and I can do all my work as usual. I am sure that I was suffering from the rheumatism, there was a lady boarding in my hotel who was suffering with facial neuralgia so much that it was impossible for her to get up. I advised her to try my remedy, that being the name I have for Athrophos. After she had taken two doses of it she was well, and the next thing I knew I saw her rushing for a street-car. 'You have cured me,' she said, 'and I can do all my work as usual. I am sure that I was suffering from the rheumatism, there was a lady boarding in my hotel who was suffering with facial neuralgia so much that it was impossible for her to get up. I advised her to try my remedy, that being the name I have for Athrophos. After she had taken two doses of it she was well, and the next thing I knew I saw her rushing for a street-car. 'You have cured me,' she said, 'and I can do all my work as usual. I am sure that I was suffering from the rheumatism, there was a lady boarding in my hotel who was suffering with facial neuralgia so much that it was impossible for her to get up. I advised her to try my remedy, that being the name I have for Athrophos. After she had taken two doses of it she was well, and the next thing I knew I saw her rushing for a street-car. 'You have cured me,' she said, 'and I can do all my work as usual. I am sure that I was suffering from the rheumatism, there was a lady boarding in my hotel who was suffering with facial neuralgia so much that it was impossible for her to get up. I advised her to try my remedy, that being the name I have for Athrophos. After she had taken two doses of it she was well, and the next thing I knew I saw her rushing for a street-car. 'You have cured me,' she said, 'and I can do all my work as usual. I am sure that I was suffering from the rheumatism, there was a lady boarding in my hotel who was suffering with facial neuralgia